# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
# LOK SABHA

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SCHOLARSHIP FOR SCS STS
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**Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government has received any complaints regarding delay in disbursement of scholarship for SCs/STs by the colleges/institutions;

(b) if so, the details thereof and reaction of the Government thereto indicating the time after the commencement of the session when the allocation is made by the Union Government to the said schools/institutions; and

(c) the remedial steps taken in this regard?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI D. NAPOLEON)

(a) to (c) The Government provides central assistance for scholarships to the eligible SC/ST students. Implementation of the centrally sponsored schemes is the responsibility of the States/UTs. The complaints, as and when received in this regard, are forwarded to the State Governments for necessary action. The State Governments/UTs have been advised to:-

(i) take appropriate action for regular and timely payment of scholarship to the beneficiaries;
(ii) ensure that scholarship money is paid to students through their individual accounts in post-offices and banks; and
(iii) to designate Grievance Redressal Officers (GROs) at the State and District levels to redress scholarship-related grievances of students.
The matter is also reviewed in meetings held with the representatives of States/UTs from time to time .